and value) is given as under:—

	Quantity (In MTs)	Value (In Rs. Crores)
1992-93	89532	256.59
1993-94	112976	343.94
1994-95	127987	394.60

(Source: DGCI&S Calcutta)

(c) No, Sir.

International Labour Conference to be Held in 1998

2118. DR. GOPALRAO VITHALRAO PATIL: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether International Labour Conference is proposed to be held in 1998;

(b) if so, details thereof with background;

(c) whether the Conference is to be attended by Indian Delegation;

(d) if so, details thereof;

(e) whether elimination of child labour will be a major Agenda item;

(f) whether Union Government propose to present papers for some more items of Agenda besides elimination of child labour; and

(g) if so, details thereof and if not, reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) to (g) The International Labour Organisations' (ILO) annual International Labour Conference is normally held at Geneva in June. The dates of the International Labour Conference to be held in 1998 have not been decided as yet. The dates and agenda of the Conference are decided by the ILO Governing Body. At its November 1995 Session, the Governing Body had a preliminary discussion on the need for including a general discussion on Child Labour as an agenda item at the 1998 Conference. The final decision in this regard is likely to be taken at the March-April 1996 Session of the Governing Body. Besides two other standard setting items, namely Contract Labour and Job Creation in Small Medium-sized Enterprises are also expected to come up for second discussion in 1998.

It is too early to decide the composition of the Indian delegation for the International Labour Conference to be held in 1998. The decision will be taken in the Second Quarter of 1998. After an invitation for attending the Conference is received from the Director-General of ILO. Agenda documents for the Conference are prepared by the International Labour Office, and the Member States of ILO do not prepare agenda papers for discussion at the Conference.

Rotten Foodgrains

2119. Dr. BAPU KALDATE:
SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA:

Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) the total quantity and value of Foodgrains rendered unfit for human consumption during 1995 due to rotting of procured foodgrains through various forms of unscientific methods of storing; State-wise;

(b) the reaction of Government thereto;

(c) the loss suffered by the Food Corporation of India on this account; and

(d) the steps taken to avoid such wastage in future?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD (SHRI AJIT SINGH): (a) to (c) The Food Corporation of India has reported that the procured stocks of Food-grains are stored in scientifically designed goodowns (including cover and plinth). Though,